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Continued Examination (RCE)
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Application Number	10/603,947
Filing Date	June 25, 2003
Examiner Name	Price, Carl D.
First Named Inventor	W. Perry Dowst et al.
Art Unit	3749
Attorney Docket Number	1323_001RCE1

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
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2. Miscellaneous

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- b. ☐ Other _____

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FEE TRANSMITTAL
For FY 2006**Complete if Known**

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

							Entity	
Fee Description							Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)							50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)							200	100
Multiple dependent claims							360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
55	- 20 or HP =		x		=		Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
HP= highest paid number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20								
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims		Fee (\$)		Fee Paid (\$)		
5	- 3 or HP =		x		=			
HP =highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3								

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If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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4. OTHER FEES

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Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): RCE Fee	395.00

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